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## CRIMINALS OF PRESENT NOT REAL CROOKS

They Can Be More Easily Trapped Than in Olden Times, Says Detective.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 1.—"There are no criminals nowadays of the caliber with which we had to deal twenty-five years ago."

Dennis Sullivan, Sr., the "daddy" of the Milwaukee detective force, who has just rounded out twenty-seven years as a detective, so remarked.

"I believe that methods used by detectives in apprehending a 'crook' will always be practically the same," continued the veteran sleuth. "But after we have a man under arrest, the proceeding is much different under present day systems than when I first became a detective."

"We arrested a suspicious character in the early days and brought him to the station. If he protested his innocence, he had no recourse but to release him. Now, we have the Bertillon system, the finger print system and a better kept record which facilitates matters. We can bring in a man who looks 'bad,' Bertillon him and consult our files. If he has a record we can find him in our books."

"I believe Milwaukee to be the cleanest city of its size in the country; and I don't speak from knowledge of statistics, but from the standpoint of one who is actually in contact with the worst element. A city is bound to have crimes committed, but I say that a 'good' thief or crook does not linger in Milwaukee longer than a day. If he does he is arrested."

"Twenty-five years ago there were safe blowers, bank robbers, hold-up men who really held up people and meant business, 'genuine' burglars and other criminals; nowadays it's the petty thief, the small forger and minor offenders who cause trouble. They are not real crooks."

Dennis Sullivan has been a member of the Milwaukee police department nearly thirty-four years. He has made many arrests of national repute and is known in police circles from coast to coast. John T. Sullivan, his son, is captain of the detective force.

## AMERICAN WOMEN TO AID SUFFERERS

Daughters of the American Revolution Start Campaign to Help the Belgians.

To uphold to spirit of their organization and the ideals for which their grandfathers fought, an army of 100,000 American women, Daughters of the American Revolution, have started a nation-wide campaign for contributions to relieve the sufferings of the 3,000,000 destitute non-combatants in Belgium and Northern France. Never before in the history of the world has such a concentrated physical effort on so vast a scale been made by women. The scope of this unprecedented movement in humanity's cause will cover every point of population and every line of human endeavor in the country.

To Distribute Flag.  
The campaign will culminate in "Flag (Tag) Day," on Saturday, April 8, King Albert's birthday. Ten million miniature Belgium flags will

on their hats and as waist bands. "Every worker in our army of humanity," continued Mrs. Story, "will make an especial appeal to the people to wear flags, not only next Saturday, but on Sunday, and to offer up prayers in their churches for the innocent women and babes crushed by the world's war abroad. The total amount collected in exchange for these flags will be turned over to the commission for relief in Belgium to be used for food and clothing."

Prosperous and Happy.  
"It is estimated that nearly 90,000,000 people in America have done nothing for the war sufferers. They have made no sacrifices. The minority has done all the giving. We are prosperous and happy; it is our country's great opportunity to demonstrate not only its patriotism, but its high ideals; and it is one opportunity to take some small part in alleviating the suffering that the war has brought to these innocent and helpless people."



MRS. WILLIAM CUMMING STORY,  
PRESIDENT GENERAL NATIONAL SOCIETY,  
DAUGHTERS AMERICAN REVOLUTION

be distributed so that the public may concentrate on making contributions to provide clothing and food for the women and children in the occupied portions of the war-racked countries. It is the largest number of flags ever printed for any charitable work. The emblems are to be distributed for an offering, the minimum amount of which is seven cents, the cost of a ration for one Belgian for one day.

Mrs. Daisy Allen Story, president of the Daughters of the American Revolution, on behalf of the national board of the society, said:

"The national board of our society has decided on a Belgium Flag Day, to be held on the anniversary of King Albert's birthday, April 8. We are working directly through our 100,000 members. These women will organize their friends into little bands and stand on every street corner, and in front of every office building and railroad station, every theater and if necessary, make a house to house canvass, in almost every city and town in the country and sell Belgian flags to help the innocent sufferers in Belgium and Northern France."

A feature of the Flag (Tag) Day, next Saturday, will be the dress of the workers. They will appear in white and wear the Belgium colors

"It is an opportune moment for all Americans to uphold the honor of our flag. As a rich, neutral nation we should come to the aid of these stricken people—not only today but tomorrow and the next day, until they are able to help themselves."

Officers of the national society of the Daughters of the American Revolution are: President general, Mrs. William Cumming Story, of New York; vice presidents general, Mrs. George Maynard Minor, Waterford, Conn.; Mrs. Joseph S. Wood, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Mrs. Eliza Perry Leardy, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Charles Clemence Abbott, Keene, N. H.; Mrs. A. V. Lane, Dallas, Tex.; Mrs. E. P. Moody, Wilmington, Del.; Mrs. Emmett Goode, Mobile, Ala.; Mrs. Kent Hamilton, Toledo, O.; Mrs. William H. Smith, Clarksburg, W. Va.; Mrs. Charles Spalding Thomas, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. G. T. Smallwood, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. S. W. Jamison, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. C. R. Davis, St. Peter, Minn.; Mrs. E. F. Noel, Lexington, Mass.; Mrs. W. F. Crosby, Racine, Wis.; Mrs. J. L. Dinwiddie, Fowler, Ind.; Mrs. John P. Swift, Berkeley, Calif.; Mrs. S. McK. Green, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. William H. Thompson, Lexington, Ky.; and Mrs. S. W. Foster, Atlanta, Ga.

## SOCIALISTS ARE COLLECTING TEN MILLION DIMES

Start Endless Chain of Letters to Get Money for a "War on War."

NEW YORK, April 1.—The Socialists have begun to collect 10,000,000 dimes with which they plan to wage a campaign against military and naval preparedness and militarism in the United States. They started an endless chain of letters appealing for dimes, "so that the workers may stake their dimes against the millions of powerful interests in challenging a fight against militarism and preparedness."

The promoters of the plan have sent out 120,000 letters to members of the party. Each person who receives one is urged to send a dime to headquarters. In return he will receive five letters and coin cards, which he will be expected to send to friends or acquaintances.

Allan L. Benson, presidential candidate of the party, issued a national appeal to his followers to start a "war on war." His statement said in part: "The campaign of 1916 opens at a time when the world is passing through the blackest period of modern history. What the civilization of the future is to be or indeed whether there is to be any civilization, is beyond the power of the human mind to know. Humanity, having sunk in ignorance, is reaping in agony."

"It is for us in this dark hour of the

world's need to consecrate ourselves anew to the principles for which we stand. It is for us, who know what it was that unleashed upon Europe titanic forces of destruction, to proclaim to all men that upon the capitalist system lies the guilt. In the United States the sun is still shining, but its rays are coming through a rift in black clouds that may at any time shut off the light and turn on the lightning."

"If there was ever a time when our philosophy should be convincing it is now. Yesterday we were dismissed as unpleasant theorists; today Europe is writing in letters of fire and blood, athwart its midnight sky: 'This war was caused by the greed and hatreds engendered by the capitalist system. Great groups of capitalists fell out over a matter of trade and plunder—wherefore millions were made to die.' Mr. Benson said that he viewed with suspicion the recent murder of Americans in Columbus, N. M., and intimated that he believed it was inspired by American capitalists anxious to "compel the country to saddle itself with an enormous army."

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## GERMAN SPY PROMISES TO EXPOSE PLOT

Promises to Bare All Facts Concerning the Conspiracy of Teuton Attacks.

NEW YORK, April 1.—Hearst von de Goltz, alias Bridgman Taylor, who is said to have been sentenced to death in England as a spy, arrived here on the steamship Finland from Liverpool to give evidence to the gov-

ernment concerning alleged conspiracies to provide German warships at sea with coal and provisions.

He was brought here with two detectives from Scotland Yard, who handed him over to the federal agents.

According to the Scotland Yard men von der Goltz was a prisoner in the Tower of London awaiting execution, but was promised that his life would be spared if he would come to country and tell this government what he knew concerning the alleged conspiracies to commit unneutral acts.

After giving his testimony, his custodians said, he is to be returned to England and from there is to be sent to South America under his promise that he will not attempt to again enter either England, Germany or the United States.

Von der Goltz was an officer in Villa's Mexican army when the European war began.

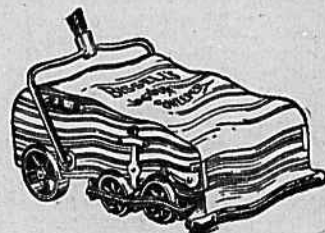
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